

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An automatic price correcting system on a website, connected with a buyer's computer and computers for a plurality of sellers, for correcting a standard price of an article, which has been presented by at ~~least~~ least one seller ~~from from~~ the plurality of sellers based on ~~a specification~~ specifications of the article, according to changes in the ~~standard~~ specifications, ~~specification~~ the specifications having a plurality of items, the system comprising:

a standard specifications table for storing standard specifications of the article presented by the buyer;

means for sending to the computers for the plurality of sellers a screen for inputting a bidding price of the article and unit prices for respective items of the ~~specification~~ specifications, ~~presented~~ by the plurality of sellers;

a bidding price storing section for storing bidding prices which have been input by the plurality of sellers through the screen ~~and received from the computers for the plurality of sellers~~;

a correction table for storing the unit prices for respective items of the specifications which have been input by the plurality of sellers through the screen ~~and received from the computers for the plurality of sellers~~;

a seller selecting section for selecting a seller from the plurality of sellers based on at least information in the bidding price storing section;

a standard price storing section for storing, as a standard price, the bidding price presented by athe seller selected from the plurality of sellers, the bidding price including bidding prices and ~~the~~ unit prices ~~for~~ of respective items of the specifications ~~of which have been received~~;

means for sending to the buyer's computer a screen for inputting changes in the ~~specification~~ specifications ~~for the standard specifications~~; and

a control device adapted to obtain a difference between the standard specifications of the article stored in the standard specifications table and the changed specifications of the article, for each item of the changed specifications;

means for converting the difference into a correction value of price through means of referring to the correction table ~~storing data which have been received from the selected seller~~;

means for calculating a total of correction values, which is a sum of correction values of prices for respective items of the changed specifications;

means for extracting ~~the~~ a standard price from the standard price storing section;

means for correcting the standard price by the total of correction values, and

means for presenting the corrected standard price to the buyer's computer.

2. (Original) An automatic price correcting system according to claim 1, wherein the control device is adapted to obtain difference between the specifications of the article stored in the standard specifications table and changed specifications of the

article, for each item of the specifications, to convert the difference of the specifications for each item of the specifications into a correction value of price through means of referring to the correction table and to correct the standard price stored in the standard price storing section by a total of correction values, which is a sum of correction values of prices for respective items of the specifications.

3. (Original) An automatic price correcting system according to claim 2, wherein the correction table stores unit prices for units of respective items of the specifications.

4. (Original) An automatic price correcting system according to claim 1, wherein the control device is adapted to provide for the buyer a specifications change inputting screen for inputting changes in the specifications, to calculate a corrected standard price in response to changed specifications input through the specifications change inputting screen, and to present the corrected standard price to the buyer.

5. (Original) An automatic price correcting system according to claim 4, wherein contents of the correction table are displayed on the specifications change inputting screen.

6. (Original) An automatic price correcting system according to claim 4, wherein the correction table is associated with the specifications change inputting screen so that for respective items of the specifications displayed on the specifications change inputting screen, the buyer can refer to the correction table corresponding to the items of the specifications.

7. (Currently Amended) A method for automatically correcting a price, in an automatic price correcting system on a website, connected with a buyer's computer and

computers for a plurality of sellers, for correcting a standard price of an article, the article having specifications with a plurality of items, the method comprising the steps of:

storing standard specifications presented by the buyer in a standard specifications table;

sending to the computers for the plurality of sellers a screen for inputting a bidding price of the article and unit prices for respective items of the specifications, the bidding price being presented by the plurality of sellers;

storing, in a bidding price storing section, bidding prices which have been input by the plurality of sellers through the screen ~~and received from the computers for the plurality of sellers;~~

storing in a correction table the unit prices for respective items of the specifications which have been input by the plurality of sellers through the screen ~~and received from the computers for the plurality of sellers;~~

selecting a seller from the plurality of sellers based on at least information stored in the bidding price storing section;

storing, in a standard price storing section, as a standard price, the bidding price presented by athe seller selected from the plurality of sellers, the bidding price including bidding prices and ~~the~~ unit prices ~~for~~ of respective items of the specifications ~~of which have been received;~~

sending to the buyer's computer a screen for inputting changes in the ~~specification for the standard~~ specifications;

obtaining a difference between the standard specifications of the article stored in the standard specifications table and the changed specifications of the article for each item of the changed specifications;

converting the difference into a correction value of price through means of referring to the correction table, storing data which has been received from the selected seller;

calculating a total of correction values, which is a sum of correction values of prices for respective items of the specifications;

extracting the standard price from the standard price storing section;

correcting the standard price by the total correction values; and

presenting the corrected standard price to the buyer's computer.

8. (Original) A method for automatically correcting a price, according to claim 7, wherein the step of converting into a correction value of price further comprises the steps of:

obtaining difference between the specifications of the article stored in the standard specifications table and changed specifications of the article, for each item of the specifications;

converting the difference of the specifications for each item of the specifications into a correction value of price through means of referring to the correction table; and

correcting the standard price stored in the standard price storing section by a total of correction values, which is a sum of correction values of prices for respective items of the specifications.

9. (Original) A method for automatically correcting a price, according to claim 8, wherein the correction table stores unit prices for unit of respective items of the specifications.

10. (Original) A method for automatically correcting a price, according to claim 7, further comprising the steps of:

providing for the buyer a specifications change inputting screen for inputting changes in the specifications;

presenting the corrected standard price to the buyer in response to changed specifications input through the specifications change inputting screen.

11. (Original) A method for automatically correcting a price, according to claim 10, wherein contents of the correction table are displayed on the specifications change inputting screen.

12. (Original) A method for automatically correcting a price, according to claim 10, wherein the correction table is associated with the specifications change inputting screen so that for respective items of the specifications displayed on the specifications change inputting screen, the buyer can refer to the correction table corresponding to the items of the specifications.